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FIRE DRIVES 1,000 BOYS FROM BROOKLYN HIGH SCHOOL

MUSSOLINI TELLS FASCISTI TO GO BACK TO HOMES

Triumphal Procession To-Night Will Pay Honor to King Emmanuel.

ORDER IS RESTORED.

Members of Ten Other Parties Flock to Chief Offering to Co-operate.

ROME, Oct. 31 (Associated Press).—The Fascist High Command to-day ordered the demobilization of the Fascisti, and the numerous members of that organization in Rome will leave for home after their patriotic procession, which it has been decided to hold this evening.

Benito Mussolini, the Fascist head of Italy's new Government, was in his office at 8 o'clock this morning to begin active work as Premier. An hour later he and his colleagues in the cabinet were received by King Victor Emmanuel and individually took the oath of office.

King Victor Emmanuel received the cabinet members in a cordial, earnest way. He shook hands with each Minister, congratulating them all, but adding that a severe task was before them.

Mussolini was the first to take the oath of office. He stood rigidly at attention, surrounded by the Ministers. The sovereign read the oath, in which the taker swears to be faithful to the King and his descendants, and to the Constitution and laws.

Signor Mussolini took a step forward and, raising his right arm, said in a deep, fervent voice:

"Glory! (I swear it.)"

The situation in Italy, according to a semi-official expression to-day, is regarded as normal again. The settlement of the crisis, it is added, is hailed with great satisfaction by public opinion.

Rome greeted with eager expectation to-day the formal entry into the city of thousands of the Fascisti, who were called from all parts of the country over the week-end, in support of the Fascist demand for control of the country, for a triumphal procession through the city.

It was decided last night that not all the Fascisti in the vicinity of Rome should participate in the march, the limit being set at 15,000, with the route of the parade passing by the Quirinal for a tribute to King Victor Emmanuel, a march to the unknown soldier's tomb and then demobilization and the return of the demonstrators to their homes.

Meanwhile, the Fascisti in Rome, including some from outside who had previously entered, celebrated their triumph informally by night parades through the town, undaunted by frequent heavy showers, singing patriotic Fascist songs interspersed with their war cries. Notwithstanding the rain, they managed to light bonfires in the various squares, in which they burned Socialist and Communist literature.

These demonstrations and others which had occurred through the day yesterday led to sporadic disorders in some quarters, during which there was considerable looting and a number of fatalities, a total of twelve deaths being reported.

Accounts of Mussolini's appearance before King Victor Emmanuel yesterday are bringing out picturesque details. Mussolini was wearing his Fascist uniform, and his first words to His Majesty were: "I must apologize"

Cohalan Gave \$155,378.80 Fees To Mooney, Brother's Associate, During Eight Years Since 1915

Surrogate's Relative and Favored Appointee Occupied Same Law Office for Four Years—Average Nearly \$20,000 a Year.

In reply to the charge of Surrogate John F. Cohalan that he was denied a nomination by Charles F. Murphy because, at the request of Murphy, he refused to "go easy" in the matter of valuation of the estate of Joseph Pulitzer, it is stated by members of the Law Committee of Tammany Hall that Mr. Cohalan was refused a nomination because it had become, rightly or wrongly, a matter of remark in the legal profession that the Surrogate was favoring certain partners or associates of members of his family in appointments to places carrying fees in the Surrogate's Court.

Mr. Cohalan in a speech at Manhattan Casino last night defended these appointments. Below is given a list of the fees awarded Daniel J. Mooney for services as special guardian, referee and temporary administrator, from 1915 to the current year.

To each of these positions, with two exceptions, he was appointed by Surrogate Cohalan. The exceptions were appointments by Surrogate Foley. At times one Surrogate asked another to make an appointment.

The record shows that Mr. Mooney was awarded fees for the eight-year period included in the accounting aggregating \$155,378.80. His average yearly earnings from the Surrogate's Court amounted to \$19,424.85.

In 1915, 1916, 1917 and 1918, according to the city directory, Daniel J. Mooney and Denis O'Leary Cohalan, a brother of the Surrogate, had law offices at No. 11 Pine Street and No. 120 Broadway. In the 1922 city directory Daniel J. Mooney appears as:

"Lawyer, No. 120 Broadway, Room 2702."

In the 1922 directory Denis O'Leary Cohalan is described as:

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In his speech last night Surrogate Cohalan read a long list of names of eminent lawyers he has appointed to positions carrying fees. He pointed out, however, the name of William Travers Jerome Jr., who was appointed temporary administrator of an estate on July 11, 1919, and has not yet rendered an accounting. William Travers Jerome sr. is one of Surrogate Cohalan's campaign allies.

Herewith is the fee record of Mr. Daniel J. Mooney:

Estate.	Date of Decree.	Amount.
1922—Amos F. Eno	Aug. 21	\$17,500.00
Ellen R. Morgan	June 23	13,500.00
Total		31,000.00
1921—Samuel Babcock	July 21	3,500.00
Thomas Dimond	July 1	1,000.00
Charles V. Harkness	Feb. 5	5,000.00
John B. Manning	Feb. 5	3,000.00
Mary G. Pickney	July 2	2,500.00
Frederick Sturges	July 29	5,000.00
Mary Higgins	Oct. 13	25.00
Total		20,025.00
1920—John M. Bowers	Aug. 3	1,000.00
Martin D. Pink	Oct. 6 (proposed)	1,500.00
Andrew Little	Mar. 29	100.00
Thomas O'Connor	June 8	2,500.00
Leopold Salzer	Nov. 2	250.00
Total		5,350.00
1919—John B. Manning	Dec. 2	15,000.00
George H. Squire	Dec. 10	250.00
Wesley H. Tilford	Jan. 22	12,525.00
Catherine H. Tilford	Jan. 22	2,500.00
Total		30,275.00
1918—Matthew C. D. Borden	July 17	10,000.00
Sarah W. Gilbert	Jan. 15	100.00
Edmund R. Robinson	March 20	500.00
Althea R. Ward	Aug. 8	500.00
Total		11,100.00
1917—James Birchett	Feb. 9	1,000.00
James Gillender (temp. adm.)	Aug. 9	8,238.80
Seth B. French	June 22	750.00
Miguel R. Martinez	April 17	500.00
Irving Brokaw	Aug. 16	3,000.00
Total		13,488.80
1916—Adele R. Boeck	Sept. 28	100.00
Herbert R. Bishop	March 11	2,150.00
Patrick C. Costello	March 2	300.00
Christina Hakstead	Feb. 9	150.00
Jane Hurd	Feb. 9	150.00
Edward A. Pennington	June 14	100.00
Catherine Riely	June 24	175.00
Alexander Ruel	Dec. 5	3,000.00
Amos F. Eno	Aug. 21 (Probate)	25,000.00
Total		31,325.00
1915—Samuel W. Bowne	April 15	250.00
Mary A. S. Burns	Feb. 24	250.00
Corra F. Barnes	March 24	100.00
Lena A. Costello	April 5	100.00
Irving W. Childs	Aug. 14	1,000.00
James E. Childs	Aug. 14	1,000.00
George H. Dunham	Aug. 20	5,000.00
Smith Ely	Jan. 25	25.00
George H. Hopper	Dec. 7	1,270.00
Edward A. Haines	Nov. 11	25.00
Arthur L. Levy	June 19	50.00
Consuelo Dwyer Duchess of Manchester	Nov. 18	200.00
Sarah M. Moore	June 12	750.00
Edgar J. Meyer	April 8	250.00
Mark J. O'Brien	April 17	1,500.00
Mary G. Schoenberger	March 19	100.00
Wesley H. Tilford	Feb. 19	1,000.00
Albert Wittmayer	Feb. 18	70.00
Total		\$12,790.00

RECAPITULATION.	
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Average payment for each year for the eight-year period, \$19,424.85.

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HIGH SCHOOL FIRE IN BROOKLYN ROUTS 1,000 BOY PUPILS

New Utrecht High School Emptied in Minute By Speedy Drill.

BUILDING A FIRE TRAP.

Blaze on Top Floor of Frame Structure in Bath Beach Section.

Nearly 1,000 boys, pupils in the New Utrecht High School, 86th Street and 18th Avenue, Brooklyn, were driven to the streets at 1.30 this afternoon when fire occurred on the top floor of the three-story frame structure and for a time threatened to sweep through the building. Normally there are 1,250 pupils attending the school, which is on part-time schedule.

The New Utrecht High School was condemned as a fire trap and sanitary hazard in an investigation made by The Evening World last year.

The cause of the fire is a mystery. It is believed to have originated in one of the book rooms, where a squad of six boys had been working about half an hour before. This squad left the room at 1.05 and the room was locked by Thomas McMahon, leader of the squad.

The forty-six teachers employed in the building were just settling down for the afternoon session when one of the boys rushed into the office of Dr. Harry A. Potter, principal, and notified him that smoke was coming down from the third floor. The first two floors are used as classrooms and the top one, formerly used as janitor's quarters.

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MINISTER ON TRIAL BLAMES DOWNFALL ON WOMEN'S DRESS

Enticed by Sex Appeal, He Says, Facing Jury for Double Murder.

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'Ma' Smith at Work Hanging Out Family's Monday Morning Wash



Mrs. Katherine Smith, mother of former Gov. Al Smith, was photographed yesterday while attending to one of her household duties—hanging the linen from the wash-tubs on the line in the backyard of her home at No. 9 Middagh Street, Brooklyn. Mrs. Smith says she is sure her son will be elected "But," she says, "I will miss him coming over the bridge to see me every Sunday afternoon."

SAY OFFICE HOLDER IS 'BIG CHIEF' NAMED IN BUS SHAKE-DOWN

O'Connor, Who Demanded \$25,000, Has Since Died—Fennelly Denies Charge.

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BURY YOUTH ON DAY OF WEDDING NOTICE

Planned Engagement Announcement and is Hit by Train.

Instead of the announcement of his engagement, which was to have been made to-morrow, the funeral of Alexander Butcher, No. 43 Avenue E, will take place. Butcher, twenty-four years old, was killed early yesterday in the Communipack terminal of the Central Railroad of New Jersey.

For five years he had been employed by the railroad company as a clerk. About a week ago he decided to become a bricklayer to have a larger income. He stepped in front of a train on another track yesterday and both legs were cut off. He died on the way to St. Francis Hospital, Jersey City. He was to have married Miss Mildred Neecher, No. 256 Avenue C.

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ACTION SOON, BUT NOT NOW, HALL PROSECUTOR DECIDES AFTER TALK WITH BEEKMAN

SCHOOL CHILDREN AND WOMEN SAVE BURNING VILLAGE

Other Towns Rush to Help of Thornwood as Sparks Ignite 50 Roofs.

Only the quick and hard work of all the school children, a number of women, and Volunteer Fire Departments from surrounding towns saved the little hamlet of Thornwood, on the Harlem Road, seven miles north of White Plains, from being destroyed by fire this morning. Despite the efforts of the volunteers, however, two dwellings, the village hotel, two barns and the Thornwood Hotel were destroyed, entailing a loss of \$100,000.

The fire was first discovered at 9.15 o'clock in one side of the Thornwood Hotel, just across from the Thornwood station of the Harlem Road. The commuters had left for Manhattan and the Volunteer Fire Department was somewhat depleted.

There was a high wind from the north blowing down the Harlem valley and sparks began flying in all directions. Soon the roofs of nearly every house in town was on fire.

A hurry call had been sent to the firemen in Mount Kisco, Pleasantville, White Plains, Valhalla and North Tarrytown and soon the various motorized apparatuses were speeding over hill and dale at a dangerous speed to Thornwood.

From the Thornwood Hotel, of which Fred Tetlow was the proprietor, the flames spread to the home of George Calles and the barn of Simon Klingler. The hose of various departments were coupled together and water was pumped from the Nannie Haven Creek.

All the school children were released and given pails and buckets, while women helped carry water. The local water supply was inadequate to meet the emergency and but for the creek the town would have gone up in flames.

Chief Fred Dickert of the Thornwood Department had men climb on the roofs of many houses and extinguish sparks which were burning, while long lines of hose were dragged to the hillside, where many of the houses were scattered, to put out fires.

At noon the fire was under control and the villagers rested easier. Thornwood has 600 inhabitants and the roof of which was badly burned, that fire had been put out on the roofs of fifty houses.

Prosecutor Says He Has Found Evidence Eye-Witness Told Truth and Sees No Reason for Doubting Her Veracity.

Seeking Safe Deposit Box to Fit Key Found on Farm—Mrs. Gibson Chases Away Photographers With Gun.

(Special From a Staff Correspondent of The Evening World.)

NEW BRUNSWICK, N. J., Oct. 31.—After a two-hour consultation at Somerville to-day with Asaph Beekman, Prosecutor of the Pleas of Somerset County, Special Deputy Attorney General Wilbur A. Mott decided not to present the Hall-Mills murders to the October Grand Jury and not to hold that jury for special consideration of the Hall-Mills case.

Mr. Mott went to Bound Brook and Newark from Somerville. He said he did not know when he would be in New Brunswick again.

"Is there any reason to doubt M. S. Gibson's story?" he was asked.

"Oh, I'm not going to throw any bouquets or aspersions," he replied. "Her story stands as it is, and I know of no reason to doubt her in any way. I have corroborated some of the vital parts of her story."

Asked to enlarge on this last statement, Mott said:

"That's all I can say at this time."

He was asked if the case would go to the Grand Jury soon. He replied that it would not go to the Grand Jury to-day or to-morrow, but go to the Grand Jury it would before long.

CONDUCTING OWN INQUIRY IN PRIVATE.

While unofficial observers of the Hall-Mills murder case are quarrelling as to the value of the statements of Mrs. Jane Gibson, the placid faced but stormy tempered pig farmer of Hamilton Road, Mott is conducting his own investigation in a private office upon which The Evening World would not intrude if it could.

Mr. Mott, it was learned to-day, is not disturbed by the discovery that Mrs. Gibson has a husband, or a man who says he is her husband, and that his name is Easton and that the twenty-one-year old son of Mrs. Gibson is his child. He does not see how any such additions or subtractions from the complicated life of Mrs. Gibson have anything to do with the Hall-Mills murder—if only he is right in saying he has found witnesses to corroborate her narrative.

To his own satisfaction, Mr. Mott has established that Mrs. Gibson has made a habit of drifting ghost-like through the woods on her silent footed Jenny mule for months at all hours of the night, seeking and taking possession of chickens, pigs and dogs which she has satisfied herself have been stolen from her. It is just such a prowler who might have seen the ending of the tragedy-romance of the Rev. Edward Wheeler Hall and Mrs. Eleanor Reinhardt Mills on the knoll under the crabapple tree—innocent bystander, it has been whittled into the ground by souvenir hunters—on the Phillips farm.

A safe deposit key was found in the dirt of the upper road running from De Russey Lane to the Phillips Farm house two weeks ago and was not turned over to the Prosecutor until to-day. It is not a key which fits the receptacles in any of the New Brunswick safe deposit companies. But inasmuch as a search of one safe deposit box known to be rented by the Rev. Mr. Hall disclosed \$30,700 in Liberty bonds which nobody knew the rector possessed, every effort is being made to find the box in New York City.

COUPLE IN AUTO PLUNGE 75 FEET OFF THE DRIVE

Imprisoned in Blazing Car On Railroad Track as Train Approaches.

Few movie thrillers provide more excitement and narrow escapes than that to Sliffrid Martin Mass and Miss Elsie Conroy when the steering gear on his automobile locked at 3 A. M. to-day and sent the car crashing down seventy-five feet from 195th Street and Riverside Drive to the New York Central tracks on the edge of the Hudson River. Neither was seriously hurt.

Mass, thirty-one years old, lives at No. 129 Slicks Avenue, New Rochelle, and is in business at No. 597 Fifth Avenue, Manhattan. Miss Conroy, twenty-four, lives at No. 53 New York Avenue, Jamaica. Mass was driving her home from a party in New Rochelle and had just entered the Drive from Dyckman Street, and reached a sharp turn, when the accident occurred.

As the car left the roadway and crashed through the railing Bicycle Policeman Andrew Sindt of the West 177th Street Station came in view 500 feet away. He heard a woman scream and saw the headlights of the car turn over and over as the machine rolled down the steep, rocky embankment toward the railroad. The occupants said later the car turned completely over five or six times.

Sindt knew a freight train was due and he could see it coming not a mile away. He rushed down to the wrecked automobile, expecting to find its occupants dead. The car had stopped parallel with the tracks, and before the policeman reached it the gasoline tank exploded. By the time he got there the automobile was in flames.

The fall of the machine had jammed the doors and Sindt had difficulty in forcing one open before the couple were burned to death. But when he rescued them neither had

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AMERICA DECLINES ALLIES' INVITATION TO NEAR EAST PARLEY

Formal Reply Refusing to Participate Given Embassies by State Department.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 31 (Associated Press).—A formal reply declining the Allied invitation for American participation in the Near East peace conference, to be held next month at Lausanne, Switzerland, was forwarded to-day from the State Department through the British, French and Italian Embassies here.

Like the formal invitation, the American reply was brief and directly worded, informing the three European Governments that the attitude of the United States and the reasons for sending only American observers to Lausanne already had been set forth in instructions forwarded last week to the American Embassies at London, Paris and Rome.

First in BUSINESS OPPORTUNITIES

NUMBER OF BUSINESS OPPORTUNITIES WEEK ENDING OCTOBER 28.

THE WORLD	2,607 ADS.
THE TIMES	708 ADS.
THE AMERICAN	361 ADS.
THE HERALD	160 ADS.
THE TRIBUNE	17 ADS.

The World's Majority—1,536 ADS.

70% of all the Business Opportunities Last Week Were Filled in The World.